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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

The following reference was cited in a Korean Office Action dated May 30, 2003:

1. U.S. Patent No. 5,883,674 issued March 16, 1999, to Ogura.

The following references were cited in a Japanese Office Action dated June 3, 2003:

- 2. Japanese Unexamined Utility Model Application No. 5-43681 published June 11, 1993.
- 3. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 5-328333 published December 10, 1993.
- 4. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 10-98730 published April 14, 1998.

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The following references were cited in a European Search Report dated July 24,

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5. European Patent Application No. 0 831 642 A2 published March 25, 2998.

6. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 10-341440 published December 22, 1998. (This reference was previously submitted to the USPTO with and IDS on June

8, 2001 and is therefore not enclosed herewith.

7. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 5-328333 published December 10,

1993, identified above as Item No. 3.

One copy of each of the listed documents except Reference No. 6 is submitted herewith.

Also enclosed is a copy of a Korean Office Action dated May 30, 2003 with a Japanese

translation thereof and an English translation of the pertinent portions of the corresponding

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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for

foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a Japanese Office Action dated June 3,

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